

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Original) A hanging file folder storage box system for the storage of a plurality of items in a hanging file system, comprising:

a generally rectangular box portion having a bottom panel, front, rear, left, and right

sidewalls which are integrally attached to the bottom panel at the bottom edge of said sidewalls, the upper edge of said sidewalls defining an open top, wherein said bottom panel together with said front, rear, left, and right sidewalls define a rectilinear chamber for the storage of items therein;

a generally flat lid hingibly attached to one of said sidewalls of said box portion and sized to cover and close said open top of said box portion;

releasable means for keeping said lid in a closed position adjacent the open top of the box portion;

at least one fixed partition which is integrally attached to the inner surface of the box portion, said fixed partition defining compartments for the storage of items therein; and,

hanging means for supporting said storage box along the bars of said hanging filing system.

2. (Original) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 1, wherein said releasable means for keeping said lid in a closed position comprises:

at least one clasp hingibly attached to one edge of said lid which cooperates with;

at least one hook integrally attached to the outer surface of said box portion to maintain said lid adjacent to said open top when said hanging file folder storage box system is in the closed position.

3. (Original) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 1, wherein the hanging means for supporting said storage box comprises hangers which extend from the outer surface of said left and right sidewalls proximate the front edge thereof, said hangers having a depression in their lower edge thereof, thereby providing a means to rest stably over the bars of a hanging file system.
4. (Original) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 3, wherein a total of four hangers are used for suspension over the bars of a hanging file system.
5. (Original) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 3, wherein a total of two hangers are used for suspension over the bars of a hanging file system.
6. (Original) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 3, wherein said hangers are integrally attached to the outer surface of said left and right sidewalls.
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10. (Currently Amended) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 1, further comprising:

a plurality of removable partitions comprising a rectangular portion having bottom edge, top edge, and two lateral edges, two members defining a solid cross-section wherein said cross-section thereof is slightly larger than the width of said rectangular portion, said two members are integrally attached to said two lateral edges along their entire extent, said removable partition being slidably received in;

a plurality of preselected opposing pair of slots, said opposing pair of slots having essentially the same shape as said two members and fashioned to be slightly larger

in girth, each of said slot is disposed within a protrusion which is integrally attached to the lateral sides of the inner surface of said front sidewall, back sidewall, left sidewall, right sidewall, and lateral sides of said fixed partitions.

11. (Original) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 1, wherein said items to be stored is selected from the list consisting of staples, tape dispensers, paper clips, pens, pencils, marking pens, labeling mechanisms, note pads, souvenirs, jewelry, coins, keys, buttons, sewing needles, sewing thread, nails, drill bits, nuts, and bolts.
12. (Currently Amended) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 1, wherein said fixed partitions extends across said bottom panel ~~the full length of the rectilinear chamber~~ from said front sidewall to said rear sidewall in order to divide the rectilinear chamber into a plurality of compartments.
13. (Currently Amended) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 1, wherein said fixed partitions extends across said bottom panel ~~the full length of the rectilinear chamber~~ from said left sidewall to said right sidewall in order to divide the rectilinear chamber into a plurality of compartments.
14. (Original) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 1, wherein said fixed partitions comprise:
 - At least one widthwise oriented fixed partition which extends parallel to said front and rear sidewalls within said rectilinear chamber; and,
 - At least one depthwise oriented fixed partition which extends parallel to said left and right sidewall within said rectilinear chamber, wherein said rectilinear chamber may be divided into a plurality of compartments.

15. (Original) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 1, wherein a portion of the outer surface of said front sidewall has labeling means for ease of identification of the contents of the storage box while in operative engagement within a hanging file system.

16. (New) A hanging file folder storage box system for the storage of a plurality of items in a hanging file system, comprising:

a generally rectangular box portion having a bottom panel, front, rear, left, and right

sidewalls which are integrally attached to the bottom panel at the bottom edge of said sidewalls, the upper edge of said sidewalls defining an open top, wherein said bottom panel together with said front, rear, left, and right sidewalls define a rectilinear chamber for the storage of items therein;

a generally flat lid hingibly attached to one of said sidewalls of said box portion and sized to cover and close said open top of said box portion;

at least one clasp hingibly attached to one edge of said lid for keeping said lid in a closed position adjacent the open top of the box portion;

at least one fixed partition which is integrally attached to the inner surface of the box portion, said fixed partition defining compartments for the storage of items therein; and,

at least one pair of opposing hangers for supporting said storage box along the bars of said hanging filing system, wherein said at least one pair of opposing hangers project outwardly from the left and right sidewalls of said box portion proximate the front sidewall thereof such that said bottom panel is adapted to be disposed in a generally vertical orientation when said storage box is suspended over the bars of said hanging file system.

17. (New) The hanging file folder storage box system of claim 17, further comprising:
- a plurality of removable partitions comprising a rectangular portion having bottom edge, top edge, and two lateral edges, two members defining a solid cross-section wherein said cross-section thereof is slightly larger than the width of said rectangular portion, said two members are integrally attached to said two lateral edges along their entire extent, said removable partition being slidably received in;
 - a plurality of preselected opposing pair of slots, said opposing pair of slots having essentially the same shape as said two members and fashioned to be slightly larger in girth, each of said slot is disposed within a protrusion which is integrally attached to the lateral sides of the inner surface of said front sidewall, back sidewall, left sidewall, and right sidewall.
18. (New) A hanging file folder storage box system for the storage of a plurality of items in a hanging file system, comprising:
- a generally rectangular box portion having a bottom panel, front, rear, left, and right sidewalls which are integrally attached to the bottom panel at the bottom edge of said sidewalls, the upper edge of said sidewalls defining an open top, wherein said bottom panel together with said front, rear, left, and right sidewalls define a rectilinear chamber for the storage of items therein;
 - a generally flat lid hingibly attached to one of said sidewalls of said box portion and sized to cover and close said open top of said box portion;
 - at least one clasp hingibly attached to one edge of said lid for keeping said lid in a closed position adjacent the open top of the box portion;

at least one fixed partition or removable partition which extends across said bottom sidewall from either said front sidewall to said rear sidewall or from said left sidewall to said right sidewall in order to divide said rectilinear chamber into a plurality of compartments; and,

at least one pair of opposing hangers for supporting said storage box along the bars of said hanging filing system, wherein said at least one pair of opposing hangers project outwardly from the left and right sidewalls of said box portion proximate the front sidewall thereof such that said bottom panel is adapted to be disposed in a generally vertical orientation when said storage box is suspended over the bars of said hanging file system.